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Cc: Gray, David[gray.david@epa.gov]
From: Frosch, Dan
Sent: Wed 9/9/2015 12:44:45 PM
Subject: RE: Another Quick Question:)

Hi Nancy and David,

So I'm hoping to speak with someone today (briefly) about the challenges the Superfund program faces in cleaning up legacy mining sites in particular—given the fact that these cleanups can last decades, are especially complex and thrust the EPA into so many different, complicated roles as opposed to just environmental steward.

Hoping we can make this happen today, if possible. Please let me know. Thanks!

Dan

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From: Grantham, Nancy [mailto:Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 12:05 PM
To: Frosch, Dan; StClair, Christie
Cc: Berzon, Alexandra; Gray, David
Subject: RE: Another Quick Question:)

Thank you

From: Frosch, Dan [<mailto:Dan.Frosch@wsj.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 12:00 PM
To: StClair, Christie
Cc: Berzon, Alexandra; Grantham, Nancy; Gray, David
Subject: RE: Another Quick Question:)

Thanks Christie (and Nancy and David). Ali and I will send over an email this afternoon once we figure out what we're looking for.

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From: StClair, Christie [<mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2015 11:59 AM
To: Frosch, Dan
Cc: Berzon, Alexandra; Grantham, Nancy; Gray, David
Subject: Re: Another Quick Question:)

Hi Dan and Ali,

I just spoke with our PIOs in Durango - Nancy Grantham and David Gray - and they should be able to help you quickly. I'm cc'ing them here so you can talk to them directly about what you need.

Christie

From: Frosch, Dan <Dan.Frosch@wsj.com>
Sent: Friday, September 4, 2015 5:41 PM

To: Colaizzi, Jennifer C.; StClair, Christie
Cc: Berzon, Alexandra
Subject: RE: Another Quick Question:)

Hey Jennifer and Christie,

Is someone who works on EPA Superfund available to talk with Ali and I at some point early next week say Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday?

We're still working on our Superfund story and have some basic questions about the program (along the lines of what we've already asked but in more detail I think).

Many thanks,

Dan

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From: Colaizzi, Jennifer C. [<mailto:Colaizzi.Jennifer@epa.gov>]
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2015 12:48 PM
To: StClair, Christie
Cc: Frosch, Dan; Berzon, Alexandra
Subject: Re: Another Quick Question:)

What's the deadline on this request?

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 28, 2015, at 11:40 AM, "StClair, Christie" <StClair.Christie@epa.gov> wrote:

Hey Dan,

I'm out today but forwarded your question to the PIO today, Jen Colaizzi, who is also cc'd here.

Christie

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On Aug 28, 2015, at 11:12 AM, "Frosch, Dan" <Dan.Frosch@wsj.com> wrote:

Hey Christie,

Have a quick question. Does EPA know how many ongoing Superfund cleanups involve old mining or smelting sites (or just generally, mining related sites, if that's easier... so long as it includes smelting sites)?

Many thanks!

Dan

From: StClair, Christie [<mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov>]

Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 3:52 PM

To: Frosch, Dan

Cc: Berzon, Alexandra
Subject: Re: fact-checking

cool beans.

From: Frosch, Dan <Dan.Frosch@wsj.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 3:45 PM
To: StClair, Christie
Cc: Berzon, Alexandra
Subject: RE: fact-checking

Hopefully soon. May not be today, tho. Will keep you posted (no pun intended).

From: StClair, Christie [<mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 3:41 PM
To: Frosch, Dan
Cc: Berzon, Alexandra
Subject: Re: fact-checking

When is your piece posting?

From: Frosch, Dan <Dan.Frosch@wsj.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 3:36 PM
To: StClair, Christie
Cc: Berzon, Alexandra
Subject: Re: fact-checking

Awesome; thanks Christie.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 27, 2015, at 1:33 PM, "StClair, Christie" <StClair.Christie@epa.gov> wrote:

I don't know how it's 3:30. I'm so sorry for the delay. Responses in red are below.

Dan Frosch:

1. The tax on polluters that fed the Superfund Trust Fund expired in 1995, correct? Correct
2. And the balance of that fund, according your numbers, dropped to \$0 in FY 2003, correct? Correct

Alexandra Berzon:

Following 2004/2005ish studies showing water quality was worsening, EPA began weighing a Superfund designation, sending a preliminary letter around two years ago to Kinross Gold Corp., a large Canadian mining company that now owns the Sunnyside mine (among other moves). We sent information request letters to Kinross Gold Corporation, Sunnyside Gold Corporation and Mueller Industries Inc. in January 2013.